A.—**The Hon'ble Sri H. C. DASAPPA** (Minister for Finance and Industries).—

(*a*) and (*b*). The desirability of gradually transferring the ownership and management of some of the Government Industrial concerns to Joint-Stock Companies is under consideration of Government. No decision has yet been taken in regard to the number or nature of the concerns to be so transferred or the terms and conditions of transfer; nor has any general policy been formulated in the matter.

Levy of Sales-Tax at a Single Point

Q.*—143. **Sri W. H. HANUMANTHAPPA (Bangalore District-General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

whether they are aware of several representations made by the public to levy Sales-tax at one point instead of at multi-points; if so, the action they intend taking?

A.—**The Hon'ble Sri H. C. DASAPPA** (Minister for Finance and Industries).—Yes. The question is under examination and action is also being taken to constitute a Committee and obtain its views in the matter.

Loss in Foodgrains Transactions.

Q.*—166. Mushir-ul-Mulk J. MOHAMED IMAM** (Tumkur *cum* Chitaldrug—Muslim).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the total amount advanced for the purchase of foodgrains both local and foreign and other incidental charges from the year 1945-46 to 1950-51;

(*b*) the sale proceeds realized during each of these years;

(*c*) the loss incurred during each of these years;

(*d*) the reasons for the loss sustained and of this how much was by way of subsidy;

(*e*) how the loss was apportioned between capital and revenue account during each of these years?

A.—**The Hon'ble Sri T. MARIAPPA** (Home Minister)—

(*a*) The total amount advanced for the purchase of foodgrains both local and foreign and other incidental charges incurred from 1945-46 to 1950-51 is Rs. 55,63,97,162 as detailed below:—

		Rs.
1.	Local purchases ...	24,49,02,812
2.	Foreign purchases ...	26,19,72,670
3.	Incidental charges ...	4,95,21,680
	Total ...	55,63,97,162

(*b*) The sale proceeds realised during each of these years are:—

	Rs.
1945-46 ...	7,77,28,359
1946-47 ...	10,25,58,688
1947-48 ...	6,51,74,914
1948-49 ...	6,29,82,293
1949-50 (nine months).	7,48,07,598
1950-51 (twelve „).	9,81,00,000
Total ...	48,13,51,252

(*c*) The loss incurred during each of these years:—

	Rs.
1945-46 ...	30,12,440
1946-47 ...	1,75,76,124
1947-48 ...	75,23,052
1948-49 ...	1,50,61,703
1949-50 (nine months).	1,25,72,587
1950-51 (estimate twelve months).	62,00,000
Total ...	6,19,45,906

(*d*) The subsidy is due to sale of foodgrains at rates much less than the cost prices. For details *vide* Para (*c*) above.

(*e*) The loss incurred during each of these years was entirely debited to the Revenue Account.

Grant of Industrial Loans.

Q.*—170. **Mushir-ul-mulk J. MOHAMED IMAM (Tumkur *cum* Chitaldrug—Muslim).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the persons with their names to whom Industrial loans have been sanctioned during 1948-49, 1949-50 and 1950-51;

(*b*) the amount sanctioned in each case;